

## U.S. Consulate St. Petersburg's G20 Essay Contest

U.S. Consulate General in St. Petersburg is happy to announce an Essay Contest dedicated to the upcoming G20 Summit, hosted in St. Petersburg on 5-6 September 2013.

The priorities of the G20 2013 Summit are:

- growth through quality jobs and investment,
- growth through trust and transparency, and
- growth through effective regulation.

In no more than **800** words, write which of these you believe is the most important priority, why you think that priority is going to help improve the global economy and promote growth, and explain how the priority could best be achieved.

The essay should be no more than 800 words and no fewer than 500 words. Footnotes, citations, and the bibliography are not included in the word count.

The essay should be structured with a strong thesis, supporting arguments, and conclusion.

Participants could use a wide variety of sources including news articles, books, internet research, or interviews. All sources must be cited.

The work should be written in **English**, and not translated from Russian.

Judging Criteria:

- Originality of ideas
- Developed arguments
- Ability to communicate clearly
- Good organization
- Number of sources

To learn more about the priorities of the G20, visit the G20 websites:

[http://www.g20.org/docs/g20\\_russia/priorities.html](http://www.g20.org/docs/g20_russia/priorities.html)

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All submissions are due (submitted via email to [SPbPAS@state.gov](mailto:SPbPAS@state.gov), "**G20 Essay**" in the subject line) no later than **midnight on September 2, 2013**. The winner essays will be republished on the U.S. Consulate St. Petersburg website and will be submitted to Washington policy makers prior to the G20 Summit. The winners will also receive a certificate signed by U.S. Ambassador to Russia Michael McFaul.